Proclamation

The Inter Tribal Council of Arizona
Western Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs and
Phoenix Area Indian Health Service

- WHEREAS, Children are precious and vital to the well-being of the Indian tribes in Arizona; and
- WHEREAS, April is observed across the nation as CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH to bring attention to the problems of child abuse; and
- WHEREAS, All Indian children in Arizona are entitled to a safe and healthy environment which nurtures and protects each child's mental and physical well being; and
- WHEREAS, Child abuse is a problem which confronts tribal communities, families and service providers; and
- WHEREAS, The tribal governments in Arizona and the federal entities must commit their resources toward efforts to prevent child abuse.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED, the Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, the Western Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Phoenix Area Indian Health Service, hereby commemorate the month of April, 2012, as INDIAN CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH in Arizona; and

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED, that the Inter Tribal Council of Arizona encourages all members of Indian tribes in Arizona to declare their support and commitment to the prevention of child abuse.

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